

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: 12/14/12	NEED RESPONSE BY: 12/24/12
2. REQUESTOR NAME:	6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: Shasta County	
3. PHONE NO.:	7. SUBJECT: TCF and Overissuances	
4. REGULATION CITE(S): 7 CFR 273.12(f)(MPP 63-504.13, 63-504.61(a))	8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s). ACL 03-66	

9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

Question #1:

If it was discovered that an ongoing Transitional CalFresh (TCF) case was granted CalWORKs in error and the household was never eligible to CalWORKs, is there an overissuance for the Transitional CalFresh?

Question #2:

If TCF benefits were granted in error for six months, is the sixth month's benefits charted as an overissuance?

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

Answer #1:

Overissuances are not charted for TCF as both the county and the HH are held harmless for inaccuracies in TCF due to prior errors in the CalFresh benefit, provided that the TCF benefit is correctly based on the final month of cash aid receipt, even if this benefit was not correct. However, if it is determined that errors in Transitional CalFresh are due to improper reporting by the HH in the past, Transitional CalFresh can be discontinued and the HH can re-apply.

Answer #2:

TCF is granted for five months only. As the County cannot continue benefits beyond the end of the certification period unless the household has been recertified, the sixth month is an overissuance.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

Answer #1:

The county and the HH are held harmless for inaccuracies in TC due to prior errors in the CalWorks or CalFresh benefit, provided that the TCF benefit is correctly based on the final month of CalWorks and regular CalFresh, even if this benefit was not correct.

Answer #2:

TCF is granted for five months only. As the County cannot continue benefits beyond the end of the certification period unless the household has been recertified, the sixth month is an overissuance. The ACIN I-72-04 #13 is being revised because CA decided to freeze the benefit for 5 months.

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